ELKIN SHOWS STALWART GAINS.

An Estimate Giving the Big Lead of Regular Republicans.

QUAY TO MEET THE VOTERS.

Beaver Statesman on Returning From Maine Will Go Into the Counties and Canvass For Re-election to the United States Senate.

(Special Correspondence.)

Harrisburg, Aug. 14.—Since the departure of Col. M. S. Quay on a trip to Maine a persistent effort has been made by the insurgents and Democrats in Pennsylvania politics to create the impression that the Beaver statesman has decided to retire from politics. All sorts of reports have been put into circulation to the effect that the insurgents have made great gains and are in a position to influence the selection of the candidate for United States senator. Lists of figures purporting to represent the relative strength of the regulars and the insurgents have been published in insurgent papers and other matter has been given publicity with the idea of misleading the Republican voters in the counties yet to nominate members of the legislature.

FORMER CHAIRMAN ELKIN SPEAKS.

Former State Chairman John P. Elkin, who is in a position to get exact information on the political situation, has given a complete refutation of the insurgent statements, and in an interview for publication he has had this to say:

"Estimates and tables of figures proclaimed by insurgent newspapers on the senatorial situation lack convincing force because no details are given. I have just looked over the estimate published in the Philadelphia Press in an issue of recent date, and find it so wide of the mark that I do not apprehend it was intended to be either reliable or accurate. If the opposition newspapers want to be fair with the public in this matter it would be an easy task to make up a list of counties in alphabetical order, showing upon what facts their claims are based. The estimates thus far made public are as mysterious and misleading as the cipher dispatches of Chinese diplomats. There are a few things which may be taken as fixed facts in this controversy. In the first place Senator Quay is a candidate and will remain in the field until his successor is elected. Before leaving for Maine he informed his friends that upon his return he would make a tour of the state in the fall campaign on the senatorial and other public questions. It is his intention to carry this vexed senatorial question to the forum of the people, where he will meet his adversaries and give the electors of the state the opportunity of deciding. In my judgment a decided [illegible] of the voters in the state are in favor of re-electing Senator Quay for the United States senate. There has been so much misrepresentation about the partisan and factional complexion of the incoming legislature that a plain statement of the exact situation may prove of interest. The list of counties below show those in which primaries have already been held, those in which primaries have not been held, together with the results as far as known.

"This is a table showing counties in which members of the house have been nominated:

	Regulars.	Insurgents.	Doubtful.
Allegheny	[illegible]	11	—
Armstrong	1	1	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
Bedford	1	—	1
Blair	[illegible]	—	—
Bradford	—	[illegible]	—
Butler	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	1
[illegible]	1	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	—	—	1
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	—	—	1
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	—	—	—
Jefferson	1	—	—
[illegible]	1	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
Lawrence	2	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	1	—
Luzerne	[illegible]	[illegible]	2
Lycoming	[illegible]	—	—
McKean	[illegible]	—	—
Mercer	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	1	—
[illegible]	1	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	1	2
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	2	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	1	—
[illegible]	1	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	[illegible]	—	1
[illegible]	[illegible]	3	—
[illegible]	3	1	—

"The [illegible] which are regarded as [illegible] in Allegheny, 2 in [illegible] in York. Total, 8.

"The [illegible] which have not yet held primaries [illegible] Adams, 2; Berks, 5; Bucks, 3; Cameron, 1; Carbon, 1; Centre, 2; Columbia, 2; Elk, 1; Greene, 1; Lehigh, 3; Mifflin, 1; Monroe, 1; Northampton, 3; Northumberland, 2; Perry, 1; Philadelphia, [illegible]; Pike, 1; Sullivan, 1; Wayne, 2; Wyoming, 1. Total, 77.

Summary.

Regulars already nominated	[illegible]
Insurgents already nominated	27
Doubtful	9
Not yet nominated	77
Nominated in surely Democratic counties or districts	8
Totals	204

"The above table applies only to members of the lower house," continued Mr. Elkin. "In the first column are placed those nominated as regular Republicans who believe in majority rule and will abide by the decision of the caucus. In the second column are those who have been nominated as insurgents, some of whom, however, will abide by the Republican caucus decision. In the third column are those whose position on the caucus and other similar questions is not known, and therefore classed as doubtful.

"A majority of the members not yet nominated are in Philadelphia and Montgomery counties, 39 in the former and five in the latter, making 44 of the 77 yet to be nominated. Of the 33 members to be nominated, not including Philadelphia and Montgomery, a large proportion are in Democratic counties, for instance, Berks, Center, Columbia, Elk, Monroe, Northampton and Pike. Many of these are small counties, having but a single member."

This is Mr. Elkin's estimate of the probable result in counties where primaries are yet to be held:

Regulars will surely nominate	38
Insurgents will surely nominate	9
Doubtful	14
Members in surely Democratic counties	16
Total of members to be nominated	77

"In my judgment," remarked Mr. Elkin, "more than a majority of the doubtful districts will be carried by the regulars. Most of the counties in the regular column are safely Republican, and in a Presidential year will be carried by the stalwarts. The above figures are only for members of the house, but they clearly show that if the Republican party does its whole duty in November the contest will be settled by Republican votes in the house. The only hope left for the insurgents is to join hands with the Democrats in November and elect Democratic members in counties where they think such tactics will win. This, of course, will be done, but the lead of the regulars is too great to be overcome. This is a Republican year, and fusion with free silver Democrats is not palatable to sound money Republicans. The fusion movement is falling flat all over the state. The masses of Republican voters are becoming very tired of being made the tail to the Democratic kite, flying free silver and insurgent streamers. The allied forces in the Republican party will win against the [illegible] of the Boxer element within its own ranks and the wild vagaries of the Bryan Democracy outside.

"This is a table showing probable make-up of the senate at the next session of the legislature:

Regular Republicans	27
Insurgents	[illegible]
Democrats	11
Doubtful	4
Total	[illegible]

"When all the nominations are made," concluded Mr. Elkin, "the result will be as follows as nearly as can be estimated in advance:

REGULARS.

Already nominated in lower house	57
Estimate of those to be nominated	[illegible]
Probable nominations in doubtful list	12—133
Estimate of regulars in senate	27
Half of doubtful list	2—29
Total nominations by regulars in both branches of the legislature—estimated	162

INSURGENTS.

Already nominated in lower house	27
Estimate of those to be nominated	9
[illegible]	36
Estimate of insurgents in senate	7
Half of doubtful list	2— 9
Total nominations of insurgents in both branches of legislature—estimated	45
Doubtful among probable nominees to house	11

WILL WORK WITH HANNA.

Gen. Reeder has been invited to visit New York and confer with the leaders of the Republican national committee in reference to the work of the campaign, as it is desired that the chairman of the various state committees shall be in touch with the national committee and work in harmony with Chairman Hanna.

The speech of acceptance from Bryan, in which he made imperialism almost the only issue, made an impression upon the conservative element of the Democracy and the Republican leaders fear that unless there shall be a renewal of the agitation on the silver question, this speech from Bryan will have the effect of sending sons of the sound money Democrats back into line with the national democracy. It is believed that this speech was prepared with the sole purpose of misleading the gold Democrats of the east and getting them to give their support to Democratic candidates for congress. Bryan has the confidence of the silverites of the west and the northwest, and they know that he will be true to their interests no matter what he may deem politic to say in any of his campaign speeches. With the knowledge that the silverites are for him, Bryan diplomatically made his speech of acceptance on imperialism, with the idea of getting the sound money Democrats of the east working in sympathy with the Democratic organization. The Democratic silverites of Pennsylvania are now boasting that Bryan's Indianapolis speech will bring back into the Democratic party many of the sound money advocates and that they will be serviceable in helping to elect Democratic candidates for congress and the Democrats and insurgents who will be on the fusion tickets for the state legislature.

Works Destroyed by a Tornado.

Pittsburg, Aug. 13.—Word has just been received here that at New Kensington, Pa., yesterday almost the entire plant of the Pittsburg Reduction company's aluminum works was destroyed by a tornado. The loss is estimated at not less than $100,000 and it will entail the closing down of the works for an indefinite period. Frank Johnston, the engineer, was caught by the falling walls and was probably fatally injured.

Killed by Live Wire.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Aug. 13.—A heavy wind and rain storm swept the Wyoming valley last evening. Charles Sickles was driving through the storm and at Wyoming his horse stepped on a live wire which was lying in the street. The animal was instantly killed. When the horse fell it threw Sickles out of the carriage. He received a fatal shock, dying an hour later.

PENNSLYVANIA NEWS CONDENSED.

M. A. Woozley has been appointed fourth class postmaster at Hope Church.

The Ellangowen colliery, at Shenandoah, which has been idle two months, has resumed operations.

The Columbia and Montour Telephone company has opened their line between Bloomsburg and Millville.

Sleeping on the track at the West Scranton yard, Daniel Glynn was struck by a train and instantly killed.

Francis M. Feekley, of York, aged 24 years, was overcome with the heat in Harrisburg and died soon after.

Horace A. Clute, aged 61 years, formerly manager of the Western Union telegraph office in Harrisburg, is dead.

Dennis Leiby's barn at Lewistown, was struck by lightning and, together with all its contents, consisting of all the season's harvest, was destroyed, entailing a loss of $4,500.

Charles Wierdien, aged 18 years, whose parents live at 344 Fifteenth street, Newark, N. J., fell under a freight train at Bailey's Station, on the Pennsylvania railroad, and was killed.

KEYSTONE HAPPENINGS.

News Items of Interest From All Parts of the State.

THE COAL MINERS' CONVENTION.

The Meeting at Hazleton to Adjust Wage Scale and Powder Charges. Murdered in Cold Blood For Dispersing Crap Shooters.

Hazleton, Pa., Aug. 14.—At yesterday afternoon's session of the miners' convention President Mitchell spoke at some length on conditions in the anthracite region. He said that this was the most important gathering of mine workers since the death of John Siney. He told the men to organize to have their wages properly adjusted, secure a lower rate on powder and have the dockage system abolished. A committee will report today on the scale of wages the mine workers will demand shall be paid in the three districts of the anthracite region, namely, the Lackawanna, Luzerne and Susquehanna.

YOUNG BRYAN'S PERIL.

Gen. Joe Wheeler Saves the Life of Presidential Candidate's Son.

Chicago, Aug. 14.—General Joseph Wheeler, commander of the department of the lakes, yesterday saved the life of William Jennings Bryan, Jr., the 12-year-old son of the Democratic candidate for the presidency. The lad visited Gen. Wheeler and the latter, after his first greeting, turned to his work, and allowed the youngster to amuse himself as best he might. Young Bryan found a loose chair caster and big bundle of rubber bands. These he tied into a long string and then, securing the caster to the bottom, went to a window and began bouncing the piece of iron up and down on the sidewalk, 70 feet below.

The general, engrossed with his labors, paid no attention to the boy who gradually became so intent in his play that he leaned farther and farther out of the casement of the window. "Fighting Joe" happened to glance up a few moments later and was horrified to see the lad hanging with his whole body over the sidewalk and only the toes of his shoes visible, clutching the angle of the window. He sat aghast for a moment. Then, rushing to the window he pulled the lad in by his legs and landed him safely on the floor.

Cuban Bandit Shot.

Santiago de Cuba, Aug. 14.—Parejita, the well known bandit, was killed yesterday at Palma Soriano, about 20 miles from Santiago. He was shot by a corporal of the rural guard, under command of Col. Vaillant. This outlaw, who was a Cuban mulatto, had been terrorizing the country for several years. He was a thoroughly desperate character and had committed numerous murders. In his possession was found a Springfield rifle, which was identified as the property of a private of the rural guard recently murdered.

Pennsylvania Town Fire Swept.

Bloomsburg, Pa., Aug. 13.—The village of Turbotville was threatened with total destruction by fire on Saturday afternoon. The blaze started in a barn in the lower end of the town, and swept up the street, taking every building in its path until it reached the Bitler lumber yard, which was also destroyed with its thousands of feet of sawed lumber. The total number of buildings destroyed is reported as 43, the list comprising four stores, 30 dwelling houses and nine barns.

Disastrous Fire in Hanover, Pa.

Hanover, Pa., Aug. 13.—Sixteen buildings were destroyed by fire here yesterday, the loss being estimated at from $40,000 to $50,000, partly insured. The heaviest losses are the Hotel Obald, the J. C. Tanger Hardware company's warehouse and Shriver's livery stable. The other structures destroyed were dwellings, stables and warehouses. Thirteen horses were roasted alive in Shriver's stable and it is rumored that a man named Frescher was burned to death in the Hotel Obald.

Headache Powder Caused Death.

Altoona, Pa., Aug. 13.—William P. Reeder, a yard dispatcher for the Baltimore and Ohio at Pittsburg, was found dead at the Palmer House, Patton, Friday morning. It has developed Miss Bird Hurd. He had the headache powder, which affected his heart. He was on his vacation and had stopped off at Patton to see his sweetheart, Miss Burd Hurd. He had the headache and she gave him a powder, which he took when he retired.

New Seat of Boer Government.

London, Aug. 14.—The Boers have left Machadodorp, according to the Lorenzo Marquez correspondent of The Daily Mail, and occupied Watervalonder in force. A considerable portion of Commandant General Louis Botha's camp and stores at Dalmanthua was destroyed by fire on Sunday. According to another special dispatch Barberton has been proclaimed the new seat of the Transvaal government.

Bryan Will Attend Club Convention.

New York, Aug. 14.—The National Association of Democratic clubs has received personal assurance from W. J. Bryan that he will attend the quadrennial convention of that association in Indianapolis on Oct. 3 and 4. It is announced that during the three weeks the association's headquarters in this city have been opened 125,000 new members have been received into the organization.

China's Belligerent Empress.

London, March 27.—The Shanghai correspondent of The Daily Mail says: "The empress dowager has ordered the Chinese cruisers Hai Tien and Tai Shou to proceed to the straits settlement, there to act in conjunction with the men detailed to capture or assassinate Kang Yu-Wei and other reformers. She believes their 24 knot speed will enable them to outstrip any British men of war."

Jury List.

List of Grand Jurors drawn for the Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail delivery and Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of Snyder county held at Oct. Term, commencing Monday, Oct. 1, 1900.

GRAND JURORS.

Name.	Occupation.	Residence.
Arbogast, Frederick,	Farmer,	Perry West
Bingaman, James M.,	"	Centre
Brosius, John F.,	"	Jackson
Bailey, Peter,	Gentleman,	Monroe
Charles, Henry,	Tinsmith,	Selinsgrove
Fields, John,	Lumberman,	Middlecreek
Freed, Lincoln,	Laborer,	Beaver
Goss, Owen J.,	Farmer,	Adams
Herbster, Charles H.,	Farmer,	Beaver West
Hummel, Reuben,	Laborer,	Middlecreek
Knights, Harry E.,	"	Union
Kerstetter, John,	Farmer,	"
Kline, Wm. H.,	Laborer,	Spring
Laub, Henry H.,	"	"
Losher, Joseph,	Printer,	Selinsgrove
Moyer, Charles H.,	Laborer,	Washington
Mattern, Isaac,	Farmer,	Beaver West
Markley, Reuben,	"	Spring
Riegel, Henry,	Laborer,	Washington
Steffen, Frances,	Farmer,	"
Sassaman, Henry,	"	Jackson
Shrawder, John,	Carpenter,	Centre
Smith, Michael K.,	Shoemaker,	Penn
Winey, Wm.,	Farmer,	Perry West

PETIT JURORS.

List of Petit Jurors drawn for the Court of Common Pleas, Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery of Snyder County, Pa., held as Oct. Term, commencing Oct. 1, 1900.

Name.	Occupation.	Residence.
Arbogast, Jefferson,	Laborer,	Washington
Boyer, David,	Gentleman,	Middlecreek
Beachel, John W.,	Farmer,	Franklin
Bowersx, Foster,	Laborer,	Centre
Bilger, Jesse,	Farmer,	Franklin
Baker, John R.,	Laborer,	Beaver West
Bender, Joel D.,	Farmer,	Jackson
Boyer, Leonard,	"	Penn
Bender, Simon,	Carpenter,	Adams
Crouse, Wm. C.,	Laborer,	Middleburg
Dreese, Amon,	Farmer,	Beaver
Dunn, Calvin,	Laborer,	Perry West
Duck, John,	Farmer	Franklin
Erdley, James,	Laborer,	Middleburg
Forry, Calvin,	Farmer,	Penn
Goy, George,	"	Washington
Graybill, Hoyt	Teacher,	Franklin
Garman, Peter,	Farmer,	Perry West
Hotnagle, Christian,	Laborer,	Beaver
Hottenstein, Elijah,	Merchant,	Monroe
Hains, Henry,	Farmer,	"
Hummel, J. E.,	Stonecutter,	Middlecreek
Hotnagle, Isaac,	Laborer,	Beaver
Kepler, Reiley,	Farmer,	Perry
Mattern, James M.,	Farmer,	Adams
Metser, John S.,	Freight Agent,	Middlecreek
McAfee, Alvin,	Laborer,	Franklin
Musselman, Wm.,	Farmer,	Penn
Roush, Henry,	"	Franklin
Rogle, Frank S.,	Agent,	Middleburg
Rambo, James,	Laborer,	Union
Reed, Isaac E.,	"	Monroe
Shemorry, Adam,	Farmer,	Penn
Seebold, Coleman,	Laborer,	Union
Specht, Geo. E.,	Wagonmaker,	Middleburg
Schreiber, George W.,	Carpenter,	Chapman
Swartz, Howard,	Laborer	Adams
Smith, Isaac M.,	Gentleman,	"
Shinkel, John,	Justice of the Peace,	Centre
Schrist, Amon,	Merchant,	Union
Snatler, Peter,	Farmer,	Chapman
Swartz, Wm.,	Laborer,	Franklin
Thomas, Harrison H.,	Farmer,	Adams
Trutt, Jacob,	"	Perry
Wetzel, Charles,	"	Jackson
Walter, Irvin,	"	Middlecreek
Wagenseller, John F.,	Teacher,	Selinsgrove
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Tellit—That business can't exist without bills.—Baltimore American.

After the Convention.

Party Worker—See here, you told me that you were confident of success?

Defeated Candidate—Well, of course, I meant that, in the nature of things, some candidate or other was bound to succeed.—Indianapolis Journal.

Too Self-Possessed.

Ada—Then you haven't quite decided to accept him?

May—Not quite. In fact, I'm not sure that he is so very much in love with me. When he proposed he didn't talk a bit incoherently.—Puck.

The Rev. W. B. Costley, of Stockbridge, Ga., while attending to his pastorial duties at Ellenwood, that state, was attacked by cholera morbus. He says: "By chance I happened to get hold of a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and I think it was the means of saving my life. It relieved me at once." For sale by ll druggists.

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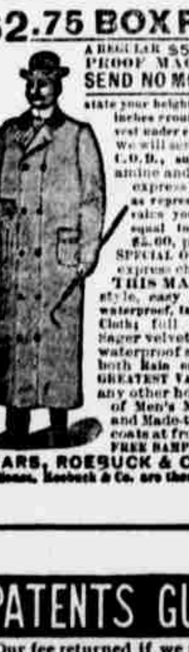

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